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Introduction

This Special Airworthiness Information Bulletin (SAIB) alerts you, owners and operators of **Bell Helicopter Textron Canada 206A, 206B, 206L, 206L-1, 206L-3 and 206L-4** model helicopters with landing gear installations using crosstube assemblies that were removed from service by FAA Airworthiness Directive (AD) 95-11-14, effective June 30, 1995.

Background

We issued AD 95-11-14 which mandated removal of crosstube assemblies with the following part numbers:

Bell Helicopter Textron Inc. Part Numbers	Airborne Supply Inc. Part Numbers
206-050-107-ALL	AB206-050-107-ALL
206-050-119-ALL	AB206-050-119-ALL
206-050-134-ALL	AB206-053-109-ALL
206-050-157-ALL	
206-050-169-ALL	
206-053-109-ALL	
206-053-119-ALL	
206-053-129-ALL	

The AD required removal of these unairworthy crosstube assemblies within 90 calendar days from the effective date of the AD and be

replaced with airworthy crosstube assemblies. We have reviewed Service Difficulty Reports and have found US registered helicopters that still have these affected crosstube assemblies installed on the helicopter.

There may be a misunderstanding among the owners and operators due to Transport Canada Civil Aviation (TCCA) publishing a subsequent AD that stated their AD *superseded* FAA AD 95-11-14.

Recommendations

We recommend that you verify that the applicable helicopters are in compliance with AD 95-11-14. If your helicopter is not in compliance, you should take immediate action to correct this situation.

This SAIB reminds you that the TCCA AD only applies to the applicable Canadian registered helicopters and AD 95-11-14 is currently in effect and applies to all applicable US registered helicopters.

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